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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 CFR 1.116
EXPEDITED PROCEDURE
EXAMINING GROUP 2665**

PATENT
Attorney Docket No. 200868
Client Reference No. 39052.01

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

JEFFREY et al.

Application No. 09/459,670

Art Unit: 2665

Examiner: M. Molinari

Filed: December 13, 1999

For: METHOD AND SYSTEM FOR
COMMUNICATING WITH A VIRTUAL
CIRCUIT NETWORK

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 26, 2004, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.



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Sir:

- ☐ Small entity status is claimed for this application under 37 CFR 1.27.
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- ☐ Other:
- ☒ Please charge Deposit Account No. 12-1216 in the total amount indicated below. A duplicate copy of this transmittal sheet is enclosed herewith.

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TIME EXTENSION PETITION FEE			none		\$ 0.00		\$ 0.00	
	subtract time extension fee previously paid		none		(\$ 0.00)		(\$ 0.00)	
CLAIM FEE	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NUMBER PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	EXTRA CLAIMS PRESENT	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE	RATE	ADDIT. CLAIM FEE
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- ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any deficiencies in the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 12-1216.
- ☒ Any filing fees under 37 CFR 1.16 for the presentation of extra claims.
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Respectfully submitted,

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